



# Cattle on Feed

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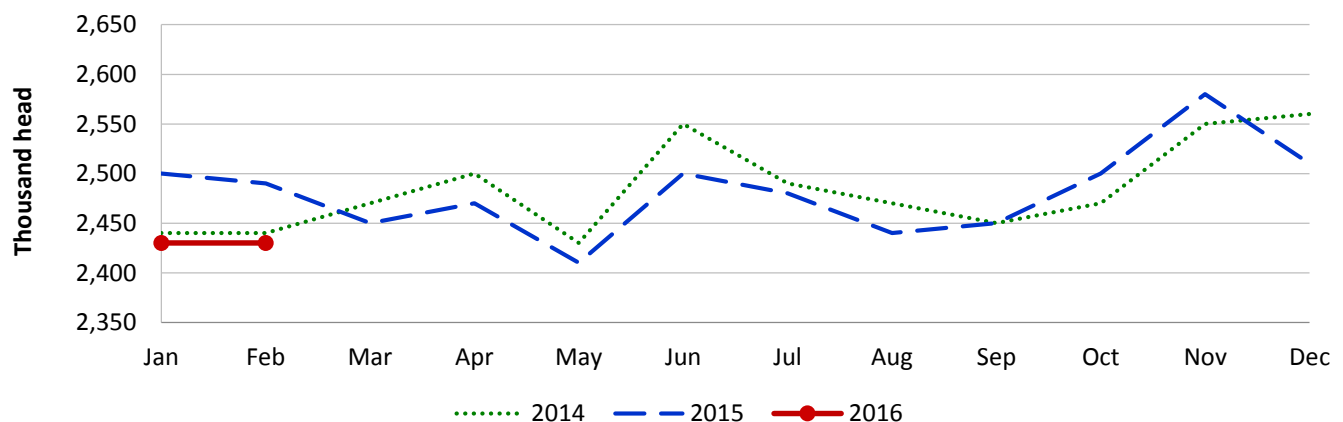
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This report contains results from the February 2016 Cattle on Feed Survey collected during the first two weeks of February. Data provided by Oklahoma and Texas producers are the foundation of the estimates made for the Southern Plains region. We would like to thank all producers who responded to the survey. Results from the next monthly survey will be made available on March 18, 2016.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in **Texas** feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.43 million head on February 1, 2016, down 2 percent from a year ago. Producers placed 335 thousand head in commercial feedlots during January, down 4 percent from a year ago. Texas commercial feeders marketed 325 thousand head during January, down 6 percent from 2015.

On February 1, there were 2.10 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 86 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was down 4 percent from last year and down slightly from the January 1 total. January placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 289 thousand head, up 14 percent from the December total. Marketings were down 10 percent from last month at 287 thousand head.

## Texas Cattle on Feed Inventory

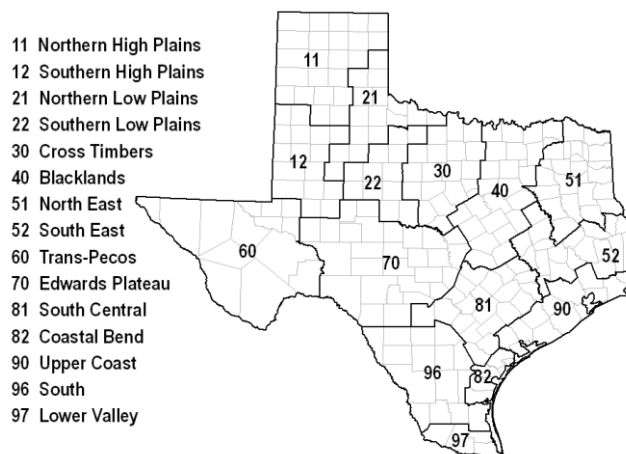


## Texas Cattle and Calves on Feed in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by District

| Cattle and Calves                               | District 11 | District 12 | District 21 | District 70 | District 81 | District 96 | Other districts | State total |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|
|   | 1,000 head  | 1,000 head  | 1,000 head  | 1,000 head  | 1,000 head  | 1,000 head  | 1,000 head      | 1,000 head  |
| On feed January 1, 2016 <sup>1</sup>            | 2,107       | 141         | 55          | 15          | 32          | 55          | 25              | 2,430       |
| Placed on feed during January                   | 289         | 27          | 7           | 1           | 3           | 6           | 2               | 335         |
| Fed cattle marketed during January              | 287         | 20          | 4           | 1           | 2           | 6           | 5               | 325         |
| Other disappearance during January <sup>2</sup> | 8           | 2           | 0           | 0           | 0           | 0           | 0               | 10          |
| On feed February 1, 2016 <sup>1</sup>           | 2,101       | 58          | 58          | 15          | 33          | 55          | 22              | 2,430       |

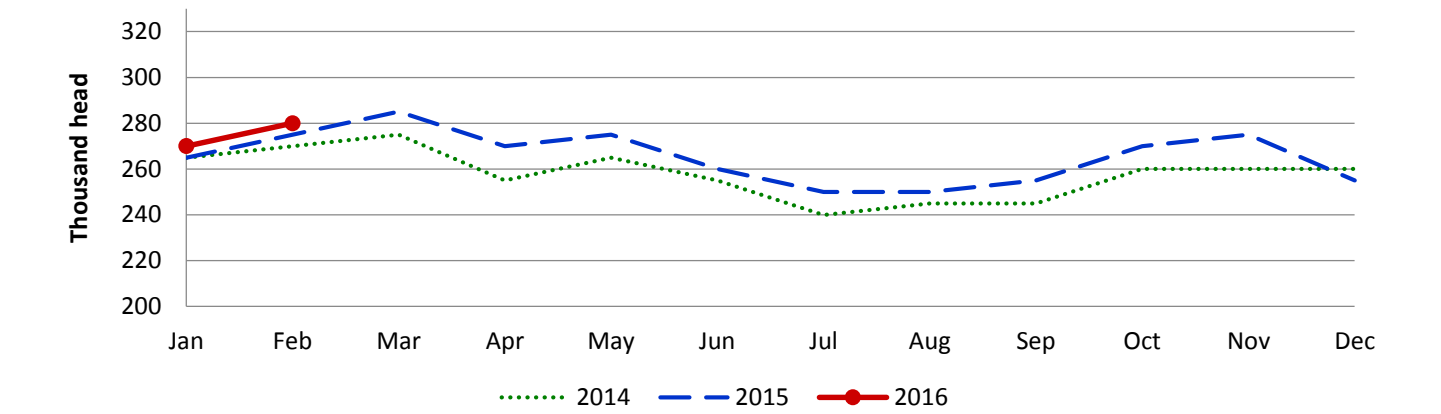
<sup>1</sup> Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

<sup>2</sup> Included death losses, movement from feedlots to pasture and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.



Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in **Oklahoma** feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 280 thousand head on February 1, 2016, up 6 percent from a year ago. Producers placed 45 thousand head in commercial feedlots during January, down 10 percent from a year ago. Oklahoma commercial feeders marketed 34 thousand head during January, down 13 percent from 2015. Other disappearance during January totaled 1 thousand head, down 1,000 head from a year ago.

Oklahoma Cattle on Feed Inventory



Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the **United States** in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 10.7 million head on February 1, 2016. This inventory was down slightly from February 1, 2015. Placements in feedlots during January totaled 1.78 million head, 1 percent below January 2015. January placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 340 thousand head; 600-699 pounds totaled 365 thousand head; 700-799 pounds totaled 494 thousand head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 580 thousand head. Marketings of fed cattle during January totaled 1.59 million head, 2 percent below 2015.

Cattle and Calves: Placements, Marketings, Other Disappearance and Inventory in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlot

| State                | Cattle and Calves |                   |                               |                   |                         |                   |                                    |                   |                    |                   |
|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
|                      | On feed January 1 |                   | Placed on feed during January |                   | Marketed during January |                   | Other Disappearance during January |                   | On feed February 1 |                   |
|                      | 2015              | 2016              | 2015                          | 2016              | 2015                    | 2016              | 2015                               | 2016              | 2015               | 2016              |
|                      | <i>1,000 head</i> | <i>1,000 head</i> | <i>1,000 head</i>             | <i>1,000 head</i> | <i>1,000 head</i>       | <i>1,000 head</i> | <i>1,000 head</i>                  | <i>1,000 head</i> | <i>1,000 head</i>  | <i>1,000 head</i> |
| Arizona .....        | 249               | 255               | 30                            | 43                | 23                      | 21                | 9                                  | 1                 | 247                | 276               |
| California .....     | 425               | 450               | 64                            | 46                | 44                      | 46                | 5                                  | 5                 | 440                | 445               |
| Colorado .....       | 900               | 870               | 135                           | 145               | 140                     | 130               | 5                                  | 5                 | 890                | 880               |
| Idaho .....          | 230               | 240               | 35                            | 43                | 34                      | 37                | 1                                  | 1                 | 230                | 245               |
| Iowa .....           | 640               | 620               | 90                            | 89                | 78                      | 86                | 2                                  | 3                 | 650                | 620               |
| Kansas .....         | 2,050             | 2,090             | 410                           | 415               | 355                     | 355               | 15                                 | 10                | 2,090              | 2,140             |
| Minnesota .....      | 137               | 155               | 17                            | 17                | 12                      | 13                | 1                                  | 1                 | 141                | 158               |
| Nebraska.....        | 2,460             | 2,420             | 505                           | 490               | 450                     | 435               | 15                                 | 15                | 2,500              | 2,460             |
| <b>Oklahoma.....</b> | <b>255</b>        | <b>270</b>        | <b>50</b>                     | <b>45</b>         | <b>39</b>               | <b>34</b>         | <b>1</b>                           | <b>1</b>          | <b>265</b>         | <b>280</b>        |
| South Dakota .....   | 230               | 255               | 30                            | 37                | 27                      | 30                | 3                                  | 2                 | 230                | 260               |
| <b>Texas.....</b>    | <b>2,500</b>      | <b>2,430</b>      | <b>350</b>                    | <b>335</b>        | <b>345</b>              | <b>325</b>        | <b>15</b>                          | <b>10</b>         | <b>2,490</b>       | <b>2,430</b>      |
| Washington .....     | 210               | 195               | 40                            | 37                | 38                      | 36                | 2                                  | 1                 | 210                | 195               |
| Other States.....    | 340               | 325               | 33                            | 37                | 40                      | 41                | 3                                  | 1                 | 330                | 320               |
| United States .....  | 10,626            | 10,575            | 1,789                         | 1,779             | 1,625                   | 1,589             | 77                                 | 56                | 10,713             | 10,709            |

Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots<sup>1</sup>

| State               | During January       |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                    |                   |                   |                   |
|---------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                     | Less than 600 pounds |                   | 600-699 pounds    |                   | 700-799 pounds    |                   | 800 pounds or more |                   | Total             |                   |
|                     | 2015                 | 2016              | 2015              | 2016              | 2015              | 2016              | 2015               | 2016              | 2015              | 2016              |
|                     | <i>1,000 head</i>    | <i>1,000 head</i> | <i>1,000 head</i> | <i>1,000 head</i> | <i>1,000 head</i> | <i>1,000 head</i> | <i>1,000 head</i>  | <i>1,000 head</i> | <i>1,000 head</i> | <i>1,000 head</i> |
| Colorado .....      | 30                   | 25                | 25                | 30                | 35                | 40                | 45                 | 50                | 135               | 145               |
| Kansas .....        | 65                   | 50                | 85                | 90                | 125               | 135               | 135                | 140               | 410               | 415               |
| Nebraska.....       | 65                   | 45                | 100               | 105               | 140               | 140               | 200                | 200               | 505               | 490               |
| <b>Texas.....</b>   | <b>125</b>           | <b>105</b>        | <b>60</b>         | <b>65</b>         | <b>95</b>         | <b>95</b>         | <b>70</b>          | <b>70</b>         | <b>350</b>        | <b>335</b>        |
| Other States.....   | 125                  | 115               | 70                | 75                | 79                | 84                | 115                | 120               | 389               | 394               |
| United States ..... | 410                  | 340               | 340               | 365               | 474               | 494               | 565                | 580               | 1,789             | 1,779             |

<sup>1</sup> Oklahoma is included in *Other States*.